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In re Application of :
Takaichi NAKAYA et al. : Confirmation No.
U.S. Patent Application No.: ----- : Group Art Unit: -----
Filed: *herewith* :

For: **BAR MATERIAL SUPPLY DEVICE OF NUMERICALLY CONTROLLED
AUTOMATIC LATHE**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Preliminary to examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims

Remarks